(*b*) In the year 1928, the holders of lands under the new branch were asked to surrender ⅓ of their holding in lieu of cash contribution; but this was subsequently given up in favour of an acreage contribution of Rs. 150.

(*c*) *Vide* reply to (*e*) below.

(*d*) Yes, 1930-31.

(*e*) A general *mutchalika* agreeing to pay a contribution of Rs. 150 per acre in lieu of ⅓ surrender was obtained from many of the raiyats that were present by previous intimation, during the inspection of the Revenue and Public Works Officers.

(*f*) Government have not received any such petitions.

Messrs. K. V. Veeranna, Gurubasappa and **K. C. Subbanna** (Chamarajnagar Taluk); **M. C. Linge Gowda** and **S. C. Mallaiya** (Maddur Taluk); **S. H. Anjaneya** and **Y. V. Gundu Rao** (Yedatore Taluk); **K. M. Krishnappa Gowda** (Nagamangala Taluk); **H. K. Madaiya** and **Puttaswami Gowda** (Malvalli Taluk); **A. Linge Gowda, S. K. Sidde Gowda** and **S. Thimme Gowda** *alias* **Thammayya Gowda** (Krishnarajpet Taluk); **H. Honnaiya** and **M. L. Linganna** (Mandya Taluk); **B. Chamaiya** and **D. Mari Gowda** (Seringapatam Taluk); **Kongalappa** and **P. Basappa** (Gundlupet Taluk); **Patel Sidde Gowda** and **H. Hombe Gowda** (T.-Narsipur Taluk); **D. Chikke Urs** (Periyapatna Sub-Taluk); **Sivananje Gowda** and **Savandayya** (Mysore Taluk); **B. S. Puttaswami** and **T. S. Madappa** (Nanjangud Taluk); **C. Dasappa** and **Basappa** (Heggaddevankote Taluk); **P. Sannamallappa** (Yelandur Jahgir); **T. Mariyappa** (Mysore City Municipality); **K. Kempe Gowda** (Mandya Municipality); **Mahomed Hussain** *alias* **Sabjan Saheb** (Hunsur Municipality); and **K. Nanjaiya** (Malvalli Municipality).—

Q.—13. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What are the various firms with which orders have been placed by Government for the supply of books to libraries and departments of Government for the last four years?

(*b*) The extent of orders in each firm by Government and departments of Government for the last four years 1930-31, 1931-32, 1932-33 and 1933-34?

(*c*) The extent of commission given to or gained by each of such firm thereon?

(*d*) Who are the proprietors of the firm Karnataka Book Stall, Bangalore?

(*e*) Is it not a fact that Government have virtually given the monopoly of the supply of books to Karnataka Book Stall?

(*f*) Have any tenders been called for from various book-sellers, *re* the supply of books?

(*g*) Have the lowest tenders been accepted?

General Secretary to Government.—

A.—13. (*a*) and (*b*) As the collection of information from all the departments takes time, it has been obtained from departments which are the principal buyers of books.

The following are the principal firms: —

	Rs.	a.	p.
Tract and Book Depot, Bangalore ...	1,992	8	0
Messrs. Higginbothams	398	4	0
Karnataka Publishing House ...	5,678	15	0
Oxford University Press, Madras ...	102	2	0
Messrs. Bowes and Bowes, Cambridge ...	1,659	15	0
„ V. Ramaswami Sastrulu & Sons...	50	0	0
The Bangalore Printing and Publishing Company.	278	13	0
Messrs. Macmillan & Co., Madras ...	185	8	0
„ Taraporewala Sons & Co., Bombay	105	2	0
„ Butterworth & Co., Calcutta	1,025	12	0
„ Krishna & Co., Mysore ...	13.276	11	0
Usmania University, Hyderabad ...	52	7	0
Engineering College Co-operative Society	4,505	0	0
International Book Co., Bangalore ...	4,711	8	0
International College Co-operative Society	1,118	0	0
Progress Book Stall, Mysore ...	14,299	6	0
H. K. Lewis & Co., Bombay... ...	5,057	0	0
	£ 47	8	6
Miscellaneous other firms	3,226	5	0

(*c*) Government have no information.

(*d*) Government are not aware of any firm by that name.

(*e*) In view of answer to (*d*) the question does not arise.

(*f*) and (*g*) The question of consolidating the purchases, as far as possible, in order to secure the best terms is being considered by the Stores Purchase Committee.